

Vote NO on Measure 2

Measure 2 would effectively place a permanent ban the state's aerial predator management programs and is driven by out-of-state animal rights extremists and a few misguided Alaskans. This measure is bad for Alaska for a number of reasons:

- After a winter of **aggressive wolf attacks**, now is not the time to limit the options of professional game managers
- Removing a critical wildlife management tool may force game managers to turn to **other predator management options**
- Allowing moose and caribou populations to be decimated, **punishes the subsistence hunters** who depend on them

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Let's be clear, **predator management is not hunting** and fair chase ethics do not apply. It is a **game management tool, period**. Predator management programs are only used on limited basis to restore moose and caribou populations and ensure Alaskans have adequate access to food sources. Predator management is not about eliminating all predators, when a **program's goals are reached the program is stopped**.

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Alaskans all across the state have seen or read about the killing power of wolves. Countless **dogs were stalked and killed** and even **people were threatened by wolves**. These wolf attacks were vicious and often deadly. They drive home the necessity of managing predator populations.

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The state tries to increase game populations by improving habitat, reducing hunting quotas and other means before using predator control programs. Only when these options fail does the state turn to the last resort of aerial predator management, which is conducted by private individuals with specially-issued, strictly monitored permits. By limiting predator management efforts to state employees only, this measure will force **taxpayers to pay for the extensive and increasing costs** of the programs.

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While the ballot title makes Measure 2 seem reasonable, the measure's definition of an "emergency" is so restrictive that by the time the State would be allowed to attempt to manage predator populations, it would be too late. It is a classic bait-and-switch tactic used by out-of-state extremists.

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The campaign run by the animal rights extremists supporting this measure is designed to tug at your heartstrings. Before you make your final decision, please consider these facts about Measure 2:

- **Predator management is not hunting** and is only used on a limited basis to reduce excessive predator populations
- Predator management is only used to ensure Alaskans have **enough wild game to feed their families**
- Without aerial predator management, game managers may turn to more **extreme options**

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